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MEMBRANE-BINDING AGENTS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.56

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56. A copy of each listed document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

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CONCISE EXPLANATION OF  
RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The foregoing documents came to Applicants' attention during an International search report. A copy of the International search report setting forth the portion of each reference considered relevant by the examiner is attached.

The U.S. patent listed below corresponds to the following foreign patent application which is cited in the search report as follows:

<u>U.S.</u>	<u>Foreign</u>
U.S. 4,666,886	EP 0 114787

An English translation of document A2 is not readily available; however, the absence of such translation does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted document (37 C.F.R. §1.98 and MPEP §609).

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Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and formally be

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made of record in the present application and that an initialled copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Respectfully submitted,

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